

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A ~~pharmaceutical~~ pharmaceutical composition for treating a microbial infection in an animal, said composition comprising:

- (a) antimicrobial compound, wherein said antimicrobial compound comprises an organic phenolic compound chemically reacted with a Group I salt; and
- (b) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 2 (Original): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1 wherein the organic phenolic compound is selected from the group consisting of isopropyl-o-cresol, isopropyl-cresol and combinations thereof.

Claim 3 (Original): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1 wherein the Group I salt is a Group I chloride salt.

Claim 4 (Original): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 3 wherein the Group I salt is selected from the group consisting of sodium chloride, potassium chloride and combinations thereof.

Claim 5 (Original): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1 wherein the antimicrobial compound comprises isopropyl-o-cresol and isopropyl-cresol chemically reacted with sodium chloride and potassium chloride.

Claim 6 (Original): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1 comprising 10% antimicrobial compound.

Claim 7 (Original): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1 wherein the antimicrobial compound comprises sodium-para-cresol, potassium-para-cresol, sodium-M-cresol and potassium-M-cresol.

Claim 8 (Original): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1 wherein the antimicrobial compound comprises 97wt% sodium-para-cresol and potassium-para-cresol and 3 wt% sodium-M-cresol and potassium-M-cresol.

Claim 9 (Original): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1 wherein the microbial infection is selected from the group consisting of a bacterial infection, fungal infection, protozoan infection and yeast infection.

Claim 10 (Original): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 1 wherein the animal is selected from the group consisting of humans, horses, cows, pigs, sheep, goats, rabbits, dogs, cats, chickens, turkeys, ducks and birds.

Claim 11 (Original): A method for treating a microbial infection in an animal, said method comprising:

(a) administering to the animal an antimicrobial compound, wherein said antimicrobial compound comprises an organic phenolic compound chemically reacted with a Group I salt.

Claim 12 (Original): The method of claim 11 wherein the organic phenolic compound is selected from the group consisting of isopropyl-o-cresol, isopropyl-cresol and combinations thereof.

Claim 13 (Original): The method of claim 11 wherein the Group I salt is a Group I chloride salt.

Claim 14 (Original): The method of claim 13 wherein the Group I salt is selected from the group consisting of sodium chloride, potassium chloride and combinations thereof.

Claim 15 (Original): The method of claim 11 wherein the antimicrobial compound comprises isopropyl-o-cresol and isopropyl-cresol chemically reacted with sodium chloride and potassium chloride.

Claim 16 (Original): The method of claim 11 wherein the antimicrobial compound comprises sodium-para-cresol, potassium-para-cresol, sodium-M-cresol and potassium-M-cresol.

Claim 17 (Original): The method of claim 11 wherein the antimicrobial compound comprises 97wt% sodium-para-cresol and potassium-para-cresol and 3 wt% sodium-M-cresol and potassium-M-cresol.

Claim 18 (Original): The method of claim 11 wherein the microbial infection is selected from the group consisting of a bacterial infection, fungal infection, protozoan infection and yeast infection.

Claim 19 (Original): The method of claim 11 wherein the animal is selected from the group consisting of humans, horses, cows, pigs, sheep, goats, rabbits, dogs, cats, chickens, turkeys, ducks and birds.

Claims 20-43 (Cancelled)